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The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on 10/28/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the submission appears to be incomplete. Specifically, the applicant's remarks appear to end abruptly. The submission contains pages numbered 1-23. However the fax page numbering indicates that two separate faxes were received, one contained fax pages 001/005-005/005. The second contained fax pages 001/013-011/013. There are no pages 012/013 or 013/013 present. Regardless, the submission is unsigned which is required and as such can not be considered a formal amendment or acted upon. Since the submission appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.

Applicant should note that the examiner of the current application has changed. The new examiner's telephone number is (703)-305-3491.

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